

Social and Personal.

MRS. ELIZABETH BRANCH BOW-
lington, on her daughter, Martha Pat-
erson, to Melville C. Branch, the wed-
ding to be celebrated during the East-
er season.

Miss Bowling, who is now filling the
position of assistant secretary to the
State Board of Education, is a college
graduate of much distinction. She
was president of the senior class of
1908 at Vassar and a member of the
faculty at Hollins Institute before en-
tering on her present duties last year.
She is a most accomplished young woman
and possesses great social and per-
sonal charm.

Mr. Branch is a member of the social
and country clubs of Richmond and
of the firm of Thomas Branch & Co.
The wedding will be one of the most
fashionable and important of the
month of April.

Miss Hannah Honored.

Miss Hannah Honored, a very attractive
evening party on the 15th inst. at the
home of Mrs. J. H. Honored, of Ches-
ter, Pa. The parlors were effectively
decorated in bowls of narcissus and
crimson roses. Miss Honored, in a
gown of blue crepe de Chine and nosegay
of pink buds, received with the grace
of a queen, who were white lace,
with a corsage bouquet of violets. Miss
Honored's guests included Misses Kath-
leen Bruce, Avis Grant, Rachel Han-
num, Sallie Honored, and Mrs. Honored.
Arrived, John Honored, Donald Blair,
James H. Drake, Jr., Randolph Car-
dona, Archer Honored and Nelson Rob-
bins.

Concerning Miss Gunn.
Miss Katherine Gunn will leave for
New York on Wednesday to attend the
Lee ball at the Waldorf on that night.
While there she will be the guest of
Miss Augusta Freeman, who is well
known here and pleasantly re-
membered as an attractive visitor to
Richmond. Miss Gunn has been one
of the most popular of the young girls
presented to Richmond society this
season.

Miss Patton Entertained.
A very attractive affair given last
Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock was a
tea given by Mrs. Franklin Cowles
Woodward in her home, 1500 West
Avenue, in honor of Miss Nancy Patton,
debutante of the season. The room
was beautifully decorated in masses
of pink blossoms and ferns, and an
oval of Golden Gate roses ornamented
the center of the table. Mrs. Wood-
ward, handsomely gowned in black
lace, with her hair in a chignon, as-
sisted in receiving the guests by Miss
Patton, who was gowned in light blue
crepe, embroidered in pearls, and car-
ried a sheaf of Golden Gate roses.

Mrs. John Leary, president of the
punch bowl and card party, presided.
Miss Lizzie Taliaferro poured tea.
Young girls serving in the dining-room
were Misses Emma Gray White, Gay
Montague, Camille Scott Wellford and Della Davenport.

Card Party for Miss McKenney.
Thursday evening, Mrs. Frederick R.
Barrett was hostess at a beautiful
bridge party given at her home in
Norfolk in honor of Miss Maude Mc-
Kinney, of Richmond. The prize for
the highest score was awarded to Mrs.
Philip E. Yeatman. Mrs. Barrett's
guests were Miss McKenney, Mrs.
George H. Davis, Jr., Mrs. P. E. Yeat-
man, Mrs. Stewart Johns, Mrs. Perry,
Mrs. Menalcus Lankford, Mrs. N. T.
Green, Mrs. Carolyn Gray, Miss Mary
Waddell and Miss Evelyn Williams, of
Richmond.

Attending Ball.
Miss Jane Walter, of Montgomery
Hall, Staunton, who has been the house
guest of Miss Margaret Wadley, of
Monument Avenue, has gone to Bal-
timore to attend the Assembly Ball.
Miss Walter has been a much admired
visitor in the city and was the guest
of honor at several very attractive af-
fairs during her stay in Richmond.

Mrs. Lawson Here.
Mrs. Benjamin Lawson, of New York,
is the house guest of Mr. and Mrs.
William R. Johnston, of Kent, Anne
310 North Harrison Street. Mrs. Law-
son was formerly Miss Lizzie Strother,
of this city, where she has a wide
circle of relatives and friends. For
the past eight years she has made her
home in New York.

Miss Miller's.
Miss Mattie Miller, of 907 Floyd Ave-
nue, was hostess at a very delightful
tea on Thursday afternoon in honor
of Misses Allen and Billisly, of Nor-
folk, who are visiting in the city.
Harwood folk. Decorations were in
red roses, with a basket of the same
flowers on the table. Guests were
invited at 5 o'clock.

Dance in Ashland.
Miss Dally gave a dance at the Hen-
ry Clay Inn on Wednesday evening in
honor of her guest, Miss Thornton.
Those present were: Misses Conde
Bridges, Roberta Nixon, Page Nixon,
May Baldwin, Katherine Kent, Annie
Hunter, Margaret Tucker, Edith White,
Frank Bane, J. W. Brownlee, Camp-
bell Tucker, Robert Mayre, Walter
Sydney, of Richmond; Jim Gilette, C.
K. Carlin, M. L. Howison, Dr. J. Hart,

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Engagement Announced.
The engagement and approaching
marriage of Miss Elizabeth B. Fox,
daughter of Mrs. Kull and the late
Louis A. Fox, to Bernard J. Baar, has
been announced. The wedding will
take place on Tuesday morning, Janu-
ary 18, in St. Mary's German Church.
Only the members of the immediate
family will be present at the cere-
mony owing to recent bereavement.

To Give Play at Academy.

"The New Crusade," a comedy which
will be presented at the Academy of
Music Friday night, February 4, for
the benefit of the Virginia Nursery and
Kindergarten, promises to be the so-
ciety event of the season. The cast
of twelve ladies, under the direction
of Peter W. McGuire, of New York,
have been rehearsing for the past
week, and the affair will no doubt
prove to be a tremendous success.

Among those taking part are: Miss
Rebecca Walker, Mrs. C. C. Walker,
Miss Mary Chalmers, Miss Mary Whit-
sett, Miss Mary Taylor, Miss Jellis
Scott, Miss Ann Taylor, Miss Alice
Coward, Miss Eula Bailey, Miss
Martha Martin, Miss Maggie Bryant,
Mrs. Lightfoot Brooke.

Meeting To-Day.
Every member of St. John's Circle
of Young Daughters is asked to be
present at an important called meet-
ing to be held at the residence of
Mrs. Joseph E. Sore, 2810 East Frank-
lin Street, this afternoon at half-after
4 o'clock.

Called Meeting.
An important called meeting will be
held this morning at Murphy's Hotel
at 11 o'clock of the committee of the
Home for Incurables' entertainment.
Members are asked to be present.

Mrs. Lucian H. Cocke, who has been

spending several days with relatives in
Richmond, has returned to her home
in Roanoke.

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Among the Books and Magazines

"It Never Can Happen Again."
By William L. Morgan. Henry Holt
& Co., of New York, \$1.50.

So modest and retiring a man is the
distinguished author of "Joseph Vance,"
"Alice for Short," "Somewhere Good,"
and "Never Can Happen Again," that
but few of his readers realize his
age or know him in any save a literary
sense.

His first novel was written in 1914,
when he was sixty-four years old. He
is, therefore, now in his seventeenth
year. Mr. De Morgan is the son of a
professor in the University College,
London. The elder De Morgan was a
writer in a modest, unpretentious kind
of fashion. The younger is a more ad-
vanced and can put to the test the
best of his kind, a most effective
sleeve, and a smoke-consuming fire
grate to corroborate the merit and
reality of his inventions. The appearance
of a De Morgan novel is a sign of
high literary importance, as readers
who are now digesting their impres-
sions of "It Never Can Happen Again"
are prepared to testify.

There always exists in the mind of
the public in so far as De Morgan is
concerned, a standard of comparison
with which all his books are referred.
"It Never Can Happen Again" will
be closely inspected with reference to
"Alice for Short" and "Somewhere
Good," and opinions will vary.

Certain it is that the novelist has
never portrayed a better or more pa-
thetic character than his child heroine,
Liza Ann, in his newest novel. Liza
Ann is only six years old when the
book opens, but she is not a mere
child, who death ends the tragedy of
her short span of life. Her mother died
when she was a few days old, partly
from disease and partly from the shock
of her husband's coming home with his
arm in a sling, the result of an accident on
board ship.

De Morgan leaves out not a detail
of the sordid atmosphere into which
Liza Ann was born. Her mother is a
penitent in the house of her father's
debt, who, oppressed with the care of
a drunken husband, had little time and
less affection to give a helpless in-
fant, deprived of her natural protect-
ion and caretakers. The little girl
endured a life of struggle. As soon
as the baby girl could toddle she
guided him to a given point, from
which he was able to make his way
to another, where he sold matches and
asked for pennies during the day.

When she was five years old, her
father, who was a miser, died, leaving
her child, who proudly pointed to the dis-
tinction between the point that "he
was an asker, not a beggar," would
come to meet and lead him home.
Liza Ann, who was a beggar, had
taught her to herd her coming,
and would strain his ears to listen for
her call of "Pilot," only she, following
the idiom of her quarter of London,
said "Poy-iot."

They were wonderful companions
these two, mother and father and baby
daughter. All the trials and hardships
that rendered Liza Ann's days any-
thing but blissful were forgotten when
evening brought her daddy home and
cuddled close to his breast. Liza Ann
was a beggar, but she was a beggar, he
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Wedding Anniversary.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
South Boston, Va., January 16.—Mr.
and Mrs. J. W. Easley celebrated the
twenty-fifth anniversary of their mar-
riage and their silver wedding at their
beautiful home on Main Street, Fri-
day evening at 8 o'clock. The par-
ty, consisting of about 100 guests, was
most elegantly and handsomely de-
corated. The menu was elaborate.
The bride of a quarter of a
century wore a cardinal gown of
silk, with ivory roses. Mrs. E. E.
Jordan wore black net, with silver
spangles, crimson carnations. Mrs.
Henry Easley, light blue tulle and
train, real lace trimmings, orna-
ments—pearls and diamonds. Mrs. T.
Owen Easley, blue ruffled silk, pearls;
Mrs. S. C. Morton, Sr., old rose mes-
seline, black net. Mrs. P. E. Milford
was attired in white Paris mouseline;
Mrs. Coles Spragins, was gowned in
braided Rajah, entrain. Mrs. H. J.
Watkins, black crepe de chene, pearls
and diamonds. Mrs. Nellie Carrington,
black banjo-line, violets; Mrs. Joseph
Stebbins, black net and diamonds; Mrs.
C. W. Owen, of Denniston, electric
blue tulle; Mrs. Hampden Wilson,
of Claster Springs, blue crepe; Mrs.
Thomas Easley, ashes of roses; Mrs.
W. B. Barksdale, of Houston, old
rose brocade, real lace trimmings; Mrs.
C. E. Owen, of Black Walnut, black
India silk, with lace. Mrs. John S.
Owen, lavender brocade, real lace;
Mrs. C. T. Lovelace, black messaline
jet, enchantress carnations; Mrs. John
C. Sheffield, of New York, Caesars
black net, Miss Blanche Crawford,
black net; Miss Kemp Coleman, of
Lexington, pale blue crepe de chene;
Miss Marie Easley, pale blue mes-
seline, embroidered; Miss Elsie Easley,
heliotrope messaline, on train;
Miss Misses Virginia and Wirt Jordan
were white null, blue ribbons.

Others present were: P. E. Owen, of
Denniston; John C. Sheffield, of New
York; Green Williams, of Danville;
Colonel Henry Easley, Hon. Joseph
Stebbins, Hon. W. B. Barksdale, Hon.
Ray S. Glenn, Dr. W. H. Mosely,
Rev. C. W. Maxwell, C. T. Lovelace,
John S. Owen, T. Owen Easley, Pro-
fessor J. W. Easley, Jr., and W. W.
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the girl, the monkey and an American,
named Gilbert Hannaway, who was in
Paris at the time of the raid on the
Place Noire, and has cleverly come out
of the unknown leader of the Black
Foxes, who ran away, with the Mar-
quis of Effingham, begin the action
of the novel. Events follow with
marvelous rapidity. After a while,
Marcel makes his escape from the
Place Noire, and comes to London,
where the background of the novel is
laid. Then the Paris chief of police,
Loubet, follows and several members
of the Black Fox gang gather around
Marcel, the object being to gain the
Marquis of Effingham's revenge on
the Marquis of Effingham, who had
stolen by them at the time when the
gang operated in Paris, and lost at the
time of the raid.

The working out of the different
threads of interest and the unraveling
of mysteries connected with the Paris
and London adventures keeps the read-
er on the qui vive until the final word
is written, and the climax reached in
so doing. There is just enough of a
love story in the book to bind it to-
gether and give it a piquant flavor of
sentiment.

"The Up-Grade."
By Wilder Goodwin. Little, Brown
& Co., of Boston, \$1.50.

A story of life in Southwest and
Arizona, mingled with the life of
many national types that gather
around such centers of work, toward
which human derelicts naturally drift.

One such derelict, Stephen Loring, is
the hero of the novel. He is an Amer-
ican, showing clearly a native back-
ground of Russians, Japanese, Chinese,
Swedes and Mexicans, with whom he
is associated in work, but from whom
he is so clearly differentiated by
his advantages of education and
upbringing. Talented as he is, he is
represented as having thrown away
chance after chance and start after
start in life. Friends and relatives
who stood staunchly by him, have fin-
ally left him in his future. Disowned
and cast off himself on the Phoenix
sidewalk, reduced to the necessity
of seeking employment, with the man-
ager of the San Quentin Mining Com-
pany.

Shortly after beginning work at this
point, he saves the life of Jean Cam-
eron, daughter of the owner of the
mine, and is rewarded by being ap-
pointed to run the hoisting engine.

He keeps straight for a time and
wins the friendship of Jean, and golden
opinions from the manager of the San
Quentin company and even from Mr.
Cameron, who dislikes him because
he thinks Jean is inclined to favor a
derelict over much, and Jean has the
weak temptation assails him and he
falls so utterly that the lives of two
fellow-miners are lost through his
fault, and he is once more dismissed
and disgraced.

But he has learned a lesson which
has hitherto been untaught. At the
lowest ebb, the tide turns. A friend
comes to his rescue and slowly and
painfully he begins to refresh the work
of regeneration that he has begun.
His love for Jean Cameron as a strong
compelling motive to help him. In the
end he wins out and is rewarded with
the hand of the woman for whom he
has made his fight.

"The Up-Grade" is written with much good
character-drawing, and its scenes are
described with terseness and vigor.

Of General Interest
"The Life of Mirabeau,"
By S. G. Tallentyre. From Moffat,
Yard & Co., of New York, through the
Bell Book & Stationery Co., of New
York, 45c.

This life of one of the most remark-
able men of his day begins with his
advent into the world at a little vil-
lage, Bignon, near Paris, on March 9,
1749. In contrast with the good looks

of his brothers and sisters, Mirabeau's
twisted foot, gigantic head and tied
tongue gave him from the first the
distinction of extreme ugliness, says
his biographer.

His school and army career, begin-
ning in the household at Versailles, of
M. de Sierre, contain at the outset
the remarkably unflattering testi-
monials with which the senior Mira-
beau launched his son in life, by char-
acterizing him as an "artful scound-
rel, a Knave, a hypocrite and a liar."
The strange anecdote of the young
man's introduction, a key is re-
ferred to much that would also be in-
comprehensible in the boy's wildness
and insubordination during a time
when he seemed otherwise to be chief-
ly changing prisons or fighting Corsi-
cans.

His return from the